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SPIRIT OF PATRIOTISM PREVAILS

Of all the silly talk so far indulged in concerning the war, that stating there is a scarcity of labor in the Willamette valley due to the enlistment of a few hundred men, is by far the silliest. Willamette University furnished 37 of the recruits from this section and the colleges furnished a large portion of those enlisting. There has been an enlistment of between 600 and 800 in the Third regiment and the larger portion of these came from the cities and towns. At the most not more than 200 of those enlisting came from the farms, and perhaps far less than that were men on whom farmers depended for handling their work. When an army of two million is raised, if it is raised, Oregon's quota would be about 18,000. That might cause some shortage of farm labor, but if it does the work will be taken care of. There will be plenty of men too old or otherwise disqualified for active service, who will see to it that the crops are taken care of even if their business in the towns has to be neglected. When we go into this war we are going into it to stay until what we have started to accomplish is done; and that means that any and every sacrifice necessary will be made. Those who from age or other disqualifications cannot go to the front will put in a few hours extra daily and raise blisters on hands unaccustomed to manual labor in order to see that those who carry the guns are comfortably clothed and abundantly fed. No man or woman is too old to be patriotic or too weak to do something to help the cause, and this war will demonstrate this as none before has ever done. Already it is being shown that the nation and all its members are looking on the coming war as not an occasion for money making. The wool growers of Oregon offer to hold their fleeces for the use of the government. The big munition plants and the ship building companies are offering to furnish materials and ships practically at cost, and this is the spirit abroad in the land. It is spirit that bodes ill to all that oppose it.

Do you own a vacant lot? If so plant it or let someone else do so. It should be made to produce from thirty to fifty bushels of potatoes, or something of equal value in the way of food stuffs. You may not want the crop, but someone may, and might as well have it as to let the lot grow a crop of unwanted weeds. Massachusetts is increasing her potato acreage, and many of the southern states are doing the same thing. Now is the time for Oregon to get busy and do some advertising in the way of showing the world what she can do toward helping feed it. In this connection it is suggested that seed for all such lots could be easily provided by the housekeepers of the city cutting a small piece off the blossom end of the potatoes used by the family and saving them. They will keep for some time and will do as well for seed as any. The restaurants of the city could supply quite a large amount of seed in this way, and at practically no loss, for that part of the potato is largely waste anyway. In order to start the matter owners of vacant lots should leave word with the commercial club as to where the lots are, and a word to the restaurant owners will furnish the seed, with a little help from the "women of the house."

Yesterday the lower house of congress had an experience similar to that in the senate the day before. A few representatives made strenuous opposition to the passage of the war resolution, though they knew it was a useless fight and a waste of valuable time. There was another feature similar to that in the senate where Senator Stone, chairman of the committee on Foreign Relations strongly opposed the passage of the resolution, and that was the opposition of Representative Kitchin, democratic house leader.

No doubt many an auto owner smiled yesterday when he read of an auto thief getting a term of from one to ten years in the state prison here.

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A DAY FILLED WITH RUMORS

The Capital Journal was called up on the phone many times yesterday regarding rumors that Company M was to pass through the city. The first rumor was that it would go through about ten o'clock. This was followed by another that it was, early in the afternoon, on the way from Portland and would pass Salem about three o'clock. This was backed up with the statement that one of the boys of the company had phoned a friend here and would phone him when the company reached Woodburn. Of course the Capital Journal knew nothing as to what Company M was doing or was to do. Under orders from the War Department it is forbidden to make public any news as to the movement of troops, at least until the movement was accomplished, and it is not at all probable anyone will know anything as to the movement of the troops, Company M, or any other. One of the rumors was elaborate as to detail, part of which was that the Third Oregon was on its way to the Philippines to relieve the regulars there who would be sent home as soon as the Third arrived; and would then be sent at once to France. It is fair to presume under orders from the department that when the troops move no one will know where they are going or when. The telegraph companies will not carry messages concerning their departure nor will the members of the regiment be allowed to phone anything they may know to anyone, though they will probably know as little as to where they are going as anyone else.

April has always been a deciding month in the nation's affairs and promises to keep up its reputation. This being good Friday is an ideal day for taking the final step in our dispute with Germany. "The better the day the better the deed," may apply to our declaration as to Germany.

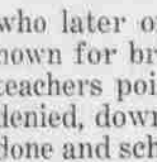
The dispatches yesterday announced the Russian and British forces in Persia had met, and that the Turks had been driven out of that country. There is not much being said about what is going on in that part of the war zone, but from indications things are not looking as pleasant to the Turks as a year ago. Before long they may have to defend Constantinople from the south and east.

A modern case of "the mote and the beam" is that of Mexico devising ways of bringing peace in Europe.



BRIGHT LIGHTS

I hear men say, of some bright youth, "He is a prodigy, in sooth! In all his studies he excels, and we shall see him wearing bells, upon the dazzling heights of fame, before the finish of the game. A youth of such surpassing parts will cut a wide swath in the arts, or in what field he may have picked, so mark our words, while we predict." I've lived and wrought till I am lame; I've seen full many rise to fame, and one great man I can't recall who in his youth eclipsed them all. It seems to me it is a rule that boys who cut no grass in school, whose heads seem made of bone or wood, are those who later on make good. The prodigies, who have renown for brightness in their native town, to whom their teachers point with pride, to whom no triumphs seem denied, down to the deeper darkness wend, when youth is done and schooldays end. Perhaps it is because the praise that they receive in schoolboy days swells up their craniums more or less, and that is fatal to success.



WALT MASON

NEW GRANGE ORGANIZED

The organization of a Grange P. of H. by J. C. Hurd state deputy, near Union school house, with fifty seven members, was completed Wednesday night, March 27th, and the following officers installed: Oscar P. Larson, W. M.; Frank O. Sweeney, W. O.; Mrs. Flora L. Larson, W. L.; Bascom H. Hughes, W. S.; Guy Dixon, W. A. S.; Ada R. Seely, W. C.; Mrs. Amelia Biechel, W. T.; Ralph K. Seely, W. Sec.; Effie M. Sweeney, Ceres; Nellie Seely, Flora; Ruth Hughes, Pomona; Edna Seely, L. A. C.; Geo. W. Sweeney, G. R.; Woodburn Independent.

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PASSOVER FEAST

To the Editor: Friday evening, the 6th of April, at seven p. m., Jews the world over, where circumstances will permit, will celebrate the first night of the Passover Feast.

What a strange historical tale, almost a fairy tale, lies behind this feast. Almost four thousand years ago, our Lord sent Moses and with him his brother Aaron to Egypt to liberate the Jews in bondage there. Our Lord hardened the heart of Pharaoh their king and he refused. The Lord inflicted the most severe punishment upon Pharaoh and his people, namely, the Ten Plagues. Then and only then by a very clever ruse was Moses successful to get the chosen people out of Egypt. Pharaoh seeing how Moses had cleverly tricked him, became enraged and pursued with his army. How the Lord opened a safe passage through the Red Sea and how Pharaoh and his army were all annihilated by that same sea, history tells us. The Jews saw the wonders their Lord had performed for them, offered prayers and feasted that day and the following six days after.

Through four thousand years, thru years of hardships and sufferings unknown and unbelievable to the present age, thru Pogroms, massacres and inquisitions such as to stagger the imagination of mankind, did not wipe out from the memory of the Chosen People the Feast of Passover.

This year we celebrate our Passover Feast with double prayers and thanksgiving. How strange events occur on this universe. The Jews of Russia were freed from the tyrants of the house of the Romanoffs during the same month that four thousand years ago freed the Chosen People from the tyrants of the house of Pharaoh. Who was our Moses now? Is this war the Ten Plagues upon Russia or rather upon the tyrants of the house of Romanoffs, the cruellest tyrants of this civilized world? Who knows? Perhaps, our Lord in his judgment is always right.

—A. LOUIS SOLOF.

EASTER STORIES

Saturday morning the usual story hours will be held at 9:30 and at 10:30. This week Miss Paxson will tell "Robert of Sicily," and the "Story of the First Easter Eggs."

Chambers and Chambers

467 COURT STREET
Salem, Oregon

New goods are piling in every day, until we are compelled to rent outside storage room. Yesterday and today we have placed on sale a very complete stock of Window Shades, in all the staple colors, up to sixty-three inches in width. Notwithstanding the stiff advance in price of shade cloth, as well as shade rollers, we were fortunate in getting a very low quantity price, and intend giving this benefit to our customers. It is our aim to make 467 Court street headquarters for Window Shades for the city of Salem.

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We handle the Empress line of Go-Carts and have in stock a splendid assortment of the very newest styles. A specially strong line from ten to eighteen dollars, with plenty at smaller prices. Not later than April 12th we will place on sale the finest stock of the celebrated Whitney Carriages seen in this city for many a day. If you are interested in a new rig for the baby, see our stock before buying.

CHAMBERS & CHAMBERS

In our windows will be displayed for a few days two "Period Chamber Suits"—one a Queen Anne style and the other an Adams. They consist of a Bed, Dresser, Chiffonier, Dressing Table, Dressing Chair, Rocker and Chair. Please notice the quaint design, the very artistic carvings, the dainty drawer pulls, in fact, they are really works of art; made in the greatest furniture city of this country, Grand Rapids, Mich. And the price is very low indeed for the quality. The Queen Anne one hundred and fifty dollars; the Adams, one hundred twenty-five. As you go by, be sure to notice these suits; but better still, step inside and go through the new store and make the acquaintance of the members of the new firm.

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We are now placing on our floors a very large assortment of White Enamel, Golden Oak and Dull Ash Dressers, Princess Dressers and Dressing Tables at prices that are very attractive.

Dressers at \$10.75, \$12.50, \$15.00 and \$17.50 that will furnish nicely and give just as good service as ones costing twice as much. We wish to impress on those reading this ad, it is our intention to fill our store room with a dependable line of merchandise at popular prices. You are cordially invited to come and go through our store whether you wish to buy or not.

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MY HUSBAND AND I
Jane Phelps

TOM'S ANXIETY

as I lived,
"That awful thing lying so straight under that sheet which might have been you," I shuddered. "Oh, Tom!"
"But it wasn't me, dear. Some other poor devil with the same name. Now I'm going to leave you long enough to make you a strong cup of coffee, and then I'll put you to bed. I tried to telephone you, but was unable to get you, and couldn't leave the man I was with to try again. It has been a terrible experience for you, poor child, he whispered as he kissed me fondly, then turned out the light and soon I heard him fussing in the kitchen. Then the odor of coffee filtered in to me.
"Dear Tom," I said to myself, "I never shall care what happens, what I have to do so long as I have you with me."
"Here we are!" he declared cheerfully, as he set the tray daintily arranged before me. A cup of steaming coffee, and two slices of delicate toast tempted me, and after I had eaten most of the toast, and he had brought me a second cup of coffee I insisted, upon getting up.
"I had forgotten that we had neither of us had any dinner until I followed Tom into the kitchen and saw it all dried up on the stove. I wanted to get him something, but he wouldn't allow me, and he literally addressed me and

put me to bed as if I had been a little child.
Morning
The sun was shining into the windows when I awoke; but not so brightly as the sun of happiness filled my heart as I recalled the events of the previous night. I heard Tom fussing in the kitchen and knew he intended to slip out and let me rest. I quietly dressed, and hurried into the kitchen.
"Good morning, dear!" I exclaimed happily. "do you think we can afford a cook? A man at that!" I tried to joke, altho my lip trembled as he took me in his arms.
"How are you dear? You look a little white. I hoped you would stay in bed this morning."
"And let you do my work and then go down town to do your own?" I answered. "Now you get ready for the office, I'll finish breakfast."
"You are sure you feel up to it?" he asked as he took off the big apron he was always tied around himself when in the kitchen. Tom was extremely fastidious about his clothes, and took great care of them.
"Certainly!" I replied. "haven't I got you back again?" Then more soberly. "I always shall feel that way Tom, that I lost you, then found you again."
(Tomorrow—When a man's married)